



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Michael J. Litchman

**Serial No.:** 10/765,721

**Filed:** January 27, 2004

**For:** CLOSURE ELEMENTS FOR  
TUBULAR MEMBERS AND  
CONTAINERS INCLUDING SAME

**Confirmation No.:** 2564

**Examiner:** R. Hylton

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Election of Species Restriction Requirement of October 11, 2005, having an initial period of response expiring on November 11, 2005.

**A Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper, no claims having been amended herein.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.